

## NO GRANGE HELP

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Members Will Decide Politics for Themselves.

## GOMPERS ISSUES STATEMENT

American Federation Announces Entry Into Politics.

Will Fight Election of All Who Oppose Unions.

Washington, Feb. 9.—Farmers' organizations will not join the American Federation of Labor in its non-partisan campaign to elect this year only friends of the trades union movement, according to T. C. Atkeson, representative of the National Grange, which has 700,000 members.

Mr. Atkeson said today that his organization had decided not to support organized labor political activities and pointed out that representatives of the grange, National Farmer union, International Farm congress and National Milk Producers' federation recently met here and formulated a platform

of principles but decided that individual members should be allowed to exercise their right of personal preference in voting.

The program has been sent to every member of congress, Atkeson said, and it may be expected that farmers will observe the attitude of legislators on bills affecting their interests.

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The declaration, issued officially by the American Federation of Labor, after reciting what it termed vain efforts to secure remedial and constructive legislation by former army men, who became accustomed to close contact with the "Y" in overseas service and at American training camps.

Records show that young men of this class are taking part in association activities more than ever before, while others, formerly indifferent have had their interest awakened through what the Y. M. C. A. did for the boys "over there."

A committee for promoting the work in Kansas is composed of W. W. Bowman, Topeka, chairman; David G. Page, Topeka, vice-chairman; D. F. Shirk, Topeka, recording secretary; S. E. Cobb, Topeka, treasurer; and H. B. Wilson, Dr. E. S. Pettyjohn, Senator Arthur Capper and Frank L. Campbell, all of Topeka, among the directors.

A special publicity committee is composed of Cecil Howes, chairman; Gov. Henry J. Allen, W. Y. Morgan and Clyde M. Reed.

At the International Y. M. C. A. convention held recently in Detroit, which was attended by 4,500 delegates from twenty-two countries, it was decided to expand the community and social center feature of association work as fully as possible, in the belief that this movement will accomplish more than other plans to acquaint the general public with the relation of all local associations to their respective communities.

One community service of wide and constantly growing significance is that of helping young men from the country get located in cities where they do not happen to have relatives or friends. Such young men are given substantial aid toward finding suitable boarding houses and are helped to obtain good jobs.

**Leon Trotsky Gets New Job.**

Helsingfors, Feb. 8.—Leon Trotsky, Russian Bolshevik minister of war and marine, will become director and high commissioner of food transportation and his duties as minister of war will be assumed by General Polono, according to advices received here.

Command of soviet forces in Siberia will be given to General Ivanoff, while General Ivanoff will lead the Bolshevik troops in Turkestan.

**Jealousy Gets Murderer Off.**

Nancy, France, Feb. 9.—A Frenchman convicted here last week of killing an American soldier has been sentenced to two years in prison. Leniency on the part of the court was due to the fact that the motive of the crime was jealousy under circumstances in which a French jury usually acquits the accused.

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## LEADERS IN RAIL

Socialist Party Ticket Leaders Are Serving Terms.

Free Press and Speech Platform of Party.

New York, Feb. 9.—While Republicans are casting about for presidential timber, with every prospect their respective candidates will not be known until the conclusion of long drawn out conventions, at least one political party already has agreed on its choice not only for president but for vice president.

This is the Socialist party of America. Its leaders apparently are unanimous for Eugene V. Debs as its presidential candidate and Kate Richards O'Hare as its vice presidential candidate. Both are now serving prison sentences for violation of the espionage act; the former in Georgia and the latter in Missouri.

The principal plank in the Socialist platform, according to the leaders, will be "free speech and a free press." They claim the government disregards the constitution's right of free speech, in jailing Debs and Mrs. O'Hare. The remainder of the platform will be based largely on the party's constitution.

The Socialist national convention will be held here May 1, so their campaign will be doing for its members and the Republican or Democratic conventions even start. While the most optimistic of the Socialist leaders does not expect the party to win the presidential campaign, all are confident of polling a record vote.

**WEATHER**

(Continued from Page One.)

The eastern states have had a pleasant weather prevails throughout practically the entire United States today, Florida said.

The temperature was 37 degrees here at 8 o'clock this morning. The lowest in the United States was 14 above zero at Helena, Mont. Florida predicted a temperature of 30 degrees rising to 45 degrees tomorrow afternoon.

Extremes on record for this date were 55 in 1898 and 17 below zero in 1899. At 3 o'clock this afternoon the wind was blowing 14 miles an hour from the north. Some of the coldest weather ever recorded in Kansas has occurred in February.

**DAILY WEATHER REPORT.**

Furnished by the weather bureau office, Topeka, Kan., for the twenty-four hours ending at 7 a. m. Monday.

High, low, Prec. Wind.

Boston, Mass., 44 18 0 Windy

Calgary, Alb., 44 18 0 Clear

Chicago, Ill., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Cincinnati, O., 38 20 0 Cloudy

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Corpus Christi, Tex., 70 62 0 Cloudy

Denver, Colo., 36 24 0 Snow

Des Moines, Ia., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Duluth, Minn., 28 28 0 Cloudy

El Paso, Tex., 68 62 0 Fair

Galveston, Tex., 68 62 0 Fair

Harvey, Mo., 38 20 0 Clear

Jacksonville, Fla., 58 50 0 Fair

Kansas City, Mo., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Little Rock, Ark., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Los Angeles, Cal., 60 54 38 Rain

New Orleans, La., 68 52 0 Fair

New York, N. Y., 40 32 0 Clear

N. Platte, Neb., 44 32 0 Cloudy

Phoenix, Ariz., 70 49 0 Cloudy

Philadelphia, Pa., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Pittsburgh, Pa., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Portland, Me., 38 20 0 Cloudy

St. Joseph, Mo., 38 20 0 Cloudy

St. Louis, Mo., 46 40 0 Rain

St. Paul, Minn., 38 20 0 Cloudy

Salt Lake, Utah, 38 20 0 Cloudy

San Francisco, Cal., 58 50 0 Clear

San Jose, Calif., 58 50 0 Clear

Shelton, Wyo., 38 20 0 Clear

Spokane, Wash., 42 36 0 Clear

Tampa, Fla., 42 36 0 Clear

Toledo, Ohio, 38 20 0 Cloudy

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Death Sentence Came Quickly.

Meanwhile the trial of Lockett was proceeding in the court room. In fifteen minutes he was sentenced to death on May 10.

Troops are being held here to prevent further trouble.

Lockett's life was saved last week when Governor Morrow, hearing of the formation of a mob in Lexington, took charge of the state penitentiary at Frankfort where the negro was brought for safekeeping. Orders deputy sheriffs to guard all approaches to the penitentiary. Morrow sent Sheriff B. C. Franklin and county toward Lexington with instructions to prevent the mob's entering the state capital.

The sheriff met the mob in automobiles on the outskirts of the city and on a hill overlooking the prison. Placing his own automobile at the head of the street, Babin persuaded the crowd to return to Lexington, thirty miles away. A few overenthusiastic members of the mob were arrested but released when they agreed to return.

**To Send Regular Troops.**

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 9.—Appeals have been received by Governor Morrow that troops be sent immediately to Lexington to quell the riots there and bring quiet to the disturbed community, as well as to protect the convicted negro.

Arrangements are already under way at Camp Zachary Taylor for the forming of two provisional battalions of 160 men each who will be sent to Lexington. The troops are to be commanded by Gen. F. C. Marshall, and were to go by special train, if one could be secured. Lacking railroad facilities, it was said the troops would be sent by truck. Lexington is nearly 100 miles from Louisville.

**LAMBERT MURPHY HERE.**

Wildly Known American Tenor at Auditorium This Evening.

Lambert Murphy, the well known American tenor, will appear at the auditorium this evening in a song recital, under the local management of H. J. Dettewich, of the Topeka Concert company.

This season it is frequently said that his voice is improving in expressiveness and power, and from recent hearings of his concert this year are still more beautiful. His quality of voice always was a thing of joy to the listener, and he never has been heard for ample audiences. Needless to say, his concert here will be well attended and the hearers will be well repaid.

His program will consist of the aria from "Jephtha," by Handel, also other classical numbers; a group of French songs, a group of modern European and American songs, and a group of old Irish songs.

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Angelina told her father. He killed Giacomo with a butcher knife. Giacomo had a record as a killer, the police said.

**Six Die Trying to Rescue Others.**

Halifax, Feb. 9.—The second officer and five men of the crew of the British steamship Oxonian perished while attempting to save the crew of the British steamer Bradway. The Oxonian was abandoned off the coast of Newfoundland, according to radio messages received here today.

**Assistant Postmaster General Better.**

Gallatin, Mont., Feb. 9.—Steady improvement on business is now generally advocated. Dockery, third assistant postmaster general is expected by his friends here. Dockery lost much strength by violent coughing commencing when he arrived here the middle of last week.

**Chicago Grain and Provision Market.**

Chicago, Feb. 9.—CORN—Close: February, \$1.25 1/2; March, \$1.25 1/2; May, \$1.25 1/2; July, \$1.25 1/2; September, \$1.25 1/2; October, \$1.25 1/2; November, \$1.25 1/2; December, \$1.25 1/2.

**NEW YORK SUGAR MARKET.**

New York, Feb. 9.—SUGAR—R. H. White, \$14.00; C. & O., \$14.00; A. & C., \$14.00; B. & C., \$14.00; D. & E., \$14.00; F. & G., \$14.00; H. & I., \$14.00; J. & K., \$14.00; L. & M., \$14.00; N. & O., \$14.00; P. & Q., \$14.00; R. & S., \$14.00; T. & U., \$14.00; V. & W., \$14.00; X. & Y., \$14.00; Z. & AA, \$14.00.

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## TODAY'S MARKET REPORTS

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